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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 51271/33 (1023.US)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/056,788 Confirmation No. 9362  
Applicant : James Allen  
Title : IMPROVED MUSCLE-DIRECTED GENE TRANSFER BY  
USE OF RECOMBINANT AAV-1 AND AAV-6 VIRIONS  
Filed : January 23, 2002  
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Examiner : Brian A. Whiteman  
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Customer No. : 35735

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action of March 10, 2005. A three-month extension of time in which to respond is requested and a petition, and the corresponding fee, accompany this response. Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.